

**South Dakota Department of Education
Race/Ethnicity Guidance
Race Identification**

The identification of race, according to the new federal requirements, often relate race to a geographic/national origin. For example, "white" is defined as people who originate from Europe, the Middle East, and North Africa. Though not an exhaustive list, the following chart may help parents and school districts identify children by connecting geographic/national origin with race, as defined in the Federal Guidance.

Student or Parent Identifies	Countries/Regions or Racial Group	Race Identification
Native American Indian	Arapahoe, Assiniboiné, Blackfeet, Cheyenne, Chippewa, Cree, Crow, Gros Ventre, Kootenai, Navajo, Oneida Tribe, Salish, Shoshone, Sioux/Dakota, Other Native American Indian	American Indian or Alaska Native
Alaska Native	Alaska Native, Alaska Indian, Alaskan Athabascans, Greenland Eskimo, Inupiat Eskimo, Aleut, Eyak, Suqpiak, Other Alaska Native	
Asian, Asian American	Asian Indian, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Burma, Cambodia, China, Taiwan, Philippines, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, Okinawa, Pakistan, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam; or ancestry groups such as Hmong, Mongolian, Iwo Jiman, Maldivian	Asian
Black, African, African American	Bahamas, Barbados, Botswana, Ethiopia, Haiti, Jamaica, Liberia, Madagascar, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Nigriti, South Africa, Sudan, Tobago, Trinidad, West Indies, Zaire	Black
Pacific Islander	Caroline Islands, Costa Rica, Fiji, Guam, Hawaiian Islands, Marshall Islands, Papua New Guinea, Polynesia, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tahiti, Tarawa Islands, Tonga	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
Aborigine, Indigenous Australian	Australia, New Zealand, Torres Straits Islands	
European or European American	<u>Northern Europe</u> such as: Britain (Scotland, Northern Ireland, Wales), Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway Sweden or <u>Western Europe</u> such as: Belgium, France, Holland, Luxembourg or <u>Central Europe</u> such as: Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Poland, Slovakia, Switzerland or <u>Eastern Europe</u> such as: Belarus, Bulgaria, Romania, Russia, Ukraine or <u>Southern Europe</u> such as: Bosnia, Catalonia, Croatia, Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Macedonia, Malta, Montenegro, Portugal, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain or <u>Other</u> such as: Caucasus, Armenia, Georgia, Azerbaijan	White
Middle Eastern or Middle Eastern American	Afghanistan, Egypt, Israel, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Turkey, Yemen	
Australian or New Zealander (not an indigenous person)	Australia, New Zealand	
North African or North African American	Algeria, Egypt, Morocco	